

## **12 FAH-3 H-400 FIREARMS**

### **12 FAH-3 H-410 FIREARMS POLICY**

*(TL:FOMH-1; 12-04-1995)*

#### **12 FAH-3 H-411 RESPONSIBILITIES**

*(TL:FOMH-1; 12-04-1995)*

DS special agents are responsible for the safety and security of their individual weapon at all times. DS authorizes agents to carry their weapons to and from work. The Department will provide each agent with a storage container that the agent may use at his or her residence to secure weapons. DS will **not** authorize any special agent to carry a firearm until the agent has successfully completed all weapons training, and DS has certified the agent.

#### **12 FAH-3 H-412 FIREARMS STORAGE**

*(TL:FOMH-1; 12-04-1995)*

- a. Agents are responsible for maintaining the safety and security of all firearms. Agents must empty weapons before storing them in a safe. Agents will not maintain loaded weapons in unlocked, unattended briefcases or luggage. Special agents must secure authorized issued handguns in the field office in any one of the following ways:
  - (1) In the agent's safe, provided it is locked when the agent is not at his or her desk;
  - (2) In a centrally located safe or weapons safe designated by the SAC or division chief; or
  - (3) Retained on their person while in the field office.
- b. If agents plan to take annual leave, they must turn in their weapons at the field office prior to beginning any annual leave of more than 72 hours or before traveling outside their immediate duty station.

## **12 FAH-3 H-413 THROUGH H-419 UNASSIGNED**